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TELECOM FACILITIES IN BIHAR
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the number, of telephone exchanges with their capacity functioning in Bihar, district-wise ;

(b) whether the Government propose to set up new telephone exchanges and upgradation of existing telephone exchanges in the State particularly in Manjholi and Pashi Faridpur region during 2000-2001;

(c) if so, the details thereof, district-wise;

(d) the number of persons on the waiting list for telephone connections in Manjholi and Pashi Faridpur regions of Patna district at present;

(e) whether Telephones in the said regions are working in order;

(f) if not, the reasons therefor; and
(g) the steps taken by the Government to clear the waiting list and provide better telephone services?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS(SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) The district-wise number of telephone exchanges with their capacity functioning in Bihar are given at Annexure-I.

(b)& (c): Yes, Sir.The district wise details are enclosed at Annexure-II.Details about Manjholi and Pashi Faridpur regions are given below :

(i) Manjholi is situated at a distance of 3 Km from the existing exchange at Neora. As this place lies within the local area of Neora exchange, no separate exchange has been planned at Manjholi. All the existing 11 applicants in the waiting list will be provided telephone connections by laying under ground cable from Neora exchange by March 2001.

(ii) Pashi Faridpur is at a distance of 7 Km from Naubatpur exchange. The number of persons waiting for telephone connection at Pashi Faridpur is 18. An independent C-DOT 256-P exchange is proposed to be installed at Pashi Faridpur during the next financial year.

(d) Number of persons in the waiting list at Manjholi are 11 and at Pashi Faridpur are 18 .

(e) No, Sir. At present, there is no telephone installed in the said regions.

(f) & (g) The reasons are given at sub paras
(i) and
(ii) of para (c) above.

ANNEXURE - I

Districtwise details of telephone exchanges with their capacity functioning in Bihar.

SN	District	No.of Exchges	Capcity	SN	District	No.of Exchges	Capacity
1	Bhojpur	24	15944	32	Kishanganj	13	4990
2	Buxar	15	7632	33	Araria	12	8618
3	Bhagalpur	31	28744	34	Purnea	25	15444
4	Banka	16	5880	35	Khagaria	17	10040
5	Saran	28	17488	36	Begusarai	26	17652
6	Gopal Ganj	17	8892	37	West Champaran	22	12300
7	Siwan	22	13100	38	East Champaran	40	24804
8	Palamu	21	10880	39	Munger	13	14144
9	Garhwa	11	3848	40	Lakhisarai	12	6424
10	Darbhanga	45	23852	41	Shekhpura	9	2048

11 Madhubani 36 18142 42 Jamui 14 4934
12 Samastipur 35 14510 43 Muzaffarpur 36 37520
13 Dhanbad 24 40968 44 Sitamarhi 11 8592
14 Bokaro 19 34208 45 Sheohar 10 4234
15 Pakur 7 2320 46 Patna 43 152012
16 Sahebganj 10 4624 47 Nalanda 36 21048
17 Godda 11 3320 48 Ranchi 46 77948
18 Dumka 17 6136 49 Gumala 18 8828
19 Deoghar 9 9360 50 Lohardagga 9 9808
20 Gaya 25 24992 51 Saharsa 24 12656
21 Aurangabad 16 8048 52 Madhepura 16 7590
22 Jahanabad 11 6488 53 Supaul 14 7834
23 Nawada 14 7304 54 Rohtas 22 21176
24 Vaishali 29 18896 55 Bhabhua 15 5712
25 Hazaribag 35 22912
26 Giridih 20 9068
27 Koderma 12 5920
28 Chatra 7 2608
29 West Singbhum 29 25832
30 East Singbhum 26 63740
31 Katihar 20 17892

ANNEXURE - II

Districtwise details of proposed new telephone exchanges and upgradation of existing telephone exchanges of Bihar during 2000-2001

SN District Proposed No.of New exchange Upgradation proposed in number of exchange

1 Bhojpur 2 3 34 Purnea 4 2
2 Buxar 4 3 35 Khagaria 4 4
3 Bhagalpur 4 4 36 Begusarai 5 4
4 Banka 6 2 37 West Champaran 8 5
5 Saran 5 4 38 East Champaran 10 4
6 Gopal Ganj 3 2 39 Munger 3 5
7 Siwan 8 5 40 Lakhisarai 4 2
8 Palamu 5 2 41 Shekhpura 5 2
9 Garhwa 3 2 42 Jamui 4 3
10 Darbhanga 8 4 43 Muzaffarpur 6 4
11 Madhubani 4 3 44 Sitamarhi 6 2
12 Samastipur 12 4 45 Sheohar 3 2
13 Dhanbad 5 3 46 Patna 10 5
14 Bokaro 3 3 47 Nalanda 10 4
15 Pakur 3 1 48 Ranchi 6 5
16 Sahebganj 2 1 49 Gumala 5 2
17 Godda 3 1 50 Lohardagga 3 2
18 Dumka 4 3 51 Saharsa 4 4
19 Deoghar 4 2 52 Madhepura 3 2
20 Gaya 8 2 53 Supaul 3 2
21 Aurangabad 5 2 54 Rohtas 4 4
22 Jahanabad 5 2 55 Bhabhua 6 3
23 Nawada 4 2
24 Vaishali 10 6
25 Hazaribag 8 4
26 Giridih 5 3
27 Koderma 2 2
28 Chatra 4 2
29 West Singbhum 8 4
30 East Singbhum 5 4
31 Katihar 5 3
32 Kishanganj 4 2
33 Araria 4 2